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SUBJ: SOVIET EMBASSY PROTEST ABOUT SAN FRANCISCO
DEMONSTRATIONS

1. SOVIET EMBASSY SENT BY MESSENGER JUNE 2 DIPLOMATIC
NOTE PROTESTING DEMONSTRATIONS OUTSIDE SOVIET CONSULATE
GENERAL IN SAN FRANCISCO. FULL TEXT FOLLOWS:

2. "THE EMBASSY OF THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS
DRAWS THE ATTENTION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE OF THE US
OF AMERICA TO THE ABNORMAL SITUATION WHICH EXISTS AROUND
THE USSR CONSULATE GENERAL BUILDING IN SAN FRANCISCO.

3. "THE MATTER IN QUESTION CONCERNS THE FACT THAT DAY
AFTER DAY HOOLIGAN ELEMENTS, WHOSE ACTIONS ARE BEING
'HIGHLIGHTED' BY TELEVISION REPORTERS AND REPORTERS OF
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SEVERAL LOCAL NEWSPAPERS, ARE GATHERING AROUND THE ENTRANCE
TO THE CONSULATE GENERAL BUILDING. IN THIS CONNECTION,
CLEARLY PROVOCATIVE ATTACKS ON THE CONSULATE GENERAL ARE
BEING COMMITTED, WHICH DISRUPT ITS NORMAL WORK. THESE ACTS
OCCUR IN THE PRESENCE OF POLICE OFFICERS GUARDING THE
CONSULATE GENERAL BUILDING WHO DO NOT TAKE MEASURES TO
SUPPRESS THEM.

4. "THE EMBASSY WOULD LIKE TO RECALL THAT THE SOVIET SIDE IS DOING EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO CREATE NORMAL CONDITIONS AROUND THE CONSULATE GENERAL OF THE USA IN LENINGRAD AND EXPRESSES THE HOPE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE WILL TAKE THE NECESSARY MEASURES TO END THE HOSTILE ACTIONS AROUND THE USSR CONSULATE GENERAL BUILDING IN SAN FRANCISCO."

5. DEPT IS INVESTIGATING SOVIET COMPLAINT AND WE WILL INFORM YOU OF OUR RESPONSE TO SOVIET EMBASSY. VANCE

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